

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL OF  
MARKET WEIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD OVER ZOOM ON  
WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021 AT 7.09PM**

Councillors: Hemmerman (Town Mayor)  
Smith (Deputy Mayor)  
Baxter  
Cary  
Cashin  
Curwen  
King  
Marshall  
Peaks  
Rudd  
A van der Kroon  
E van der Kroon

Clerk to the Meeting – Kevin Keller

**1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

Cllr Chicken was not in attendance

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

*(members to declare any interest in items on the Agenda and the nature of those interests)*

None

**3. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE PRECEPT DEMAND FOR THE 2021/2022 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Following a meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> December, the Finance Committee recommended a Precept Demand from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council as set out below. Members had been presented with a draft copy in advance to allow them time to consider the recommendation. The proposal would result in a 6.84% uplift, moving Band D properties from £81.15 to £86.70, equivalent to 11p per week.

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| Lease payments, street lighting, by-elections   | £ 11,900.00         |
| Payroll – 2 x handymen, Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Cemetery Caretaker and Part Time Cleaner (includes NIC and pension contributions) | £ 91,600.00         |
| Professional fees, membership fees, PAT tests and Insurances  | £ 11,850.00         |
| Utilities inc. Electric, gas, water, council tax, telephony   | £ 20,600.00         |
| Repairs, maintenance and plant hire   | £ 7,500.00          |
| Council vehicle expenses inc. pick-up, grass-cutters and mini-tractor   | £ 6,300.00          |
| Winter Supplies, waste contracts and IT support contracts   | £ 2,850.00          |
| Printing, stationery and consumables  | £ 1,000.00          |
| Support for local organisations including Remembrance Day   | £ 7,900.00          |
| Special events, training and land development   | £ 8,900.00          |
| Petty Cash  | £ 100.00            |
| Capital Assets inc. PWLB loans, CCTV, machinery & equipment, town enhancements  | £ 40,752.00         |
| Contingency   | £ 20,000.00         |
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| <b>Total amount required for the 2021/2022 financial year</b>   | <b>£ 231,252.00</b> |
| <b>Minus total amount of expected additional income</b>   | <b>£ 17,850.00</b>  |
| <b>Total amount of Precept Demand 2021/2022</b>   | <b>£ 213,402.00</b> |

Cllr Cary asked if proposed re-surfacing works and changes to waste handling at the Holme Road cemetery had been included. It was confirmed that any works would be taken from contingency funds.

It was **Proposed** by Cllr King, **Seconded** by Cllr Cashin that the Precept Demand be approved. **RESOLVED**

Signed by the Chairman

**4. TO DISCUSS ANY RELEVANT COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES**

Cllr Peaks had received comments from residents that the Wetpour surfaces under some of the play equipment had become slippery. Town Handymen to follow up during the Play Equipment Inspection the following day.

A resident had requested permission to erect a memorial to his late father on The Green similar to the one for Robert B Massey on the High Street. It was acknowledged by Members that the resident's late father had made considerable contributions to the town including time served as a Town Councillor. It was felt, however, that such a memorial would be inappropriate given the setting, and that a memorial seat would be more in keeping. This would recognise the achievements of the gentleman, and act as a fitting tribute. It was **Proposed** by Cllr King and **Seconded** by Cllr Rudd that permission be granted for the family to install a memorial seat on The Green. **RESOLVED**

Cllr E Van der Kroon reported that groups of young people were still gathering in the bus shelter on the Market Hill, breaking COVID restrictions and causing a nuisance. She asked if Members thought that installing lights would discourage this behaviour. It was reported, however, that lights had been installed previously, but these had been destroyed on a number of occasions.

The Hudson Way had become increasingly popular with residents taking exercise during the lockdown. The recent icy conditions had resulted in residents asking Cllrs A and E Van der Kroon if the area could be gritted. It was felt that gritting along the Hudson Way would be cost prohibitive and would have a detrimental effect on the biodiversity of the area.

Cllr Cashin thanked the Council's outdoor team for removing the gate to the rear of the Closed Cemetery to create a 'through path' and asked if some signage could be installed in the area to promote this.

Cllr Rudd reported that the seat at the end of Sweep Lane still needed attention.

Cllr Cary reported that despite previous requests to ERYC, the surface dressing on the Londesborough Road was still presenting a problem to motorists and pedestrians. Cllr Rudd and Cllr Hammond to speak with ERYC.

**5. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL WILL BE HELD AT 7.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021 OVER ZOOM**

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and contributions, and declared the Meeting **closed at 7.32pm**.